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1. The airfield just southeast of the village of Giarmata (R 16/U 02), northeast of Timisoara (R 16/T 91) has existed since the end of the war. It is surrounded by cultivated fields. The sodded landing field is about 1 km square. There are no hard surface runways or taxiways. Two wooden hangars, each about 10 x 20 meters, are the only buildings at the field.
2. During the spring and late fall, one of the wooden hangars was usually occupied by 25 to 30 Rumanian civilian boys and girls from 13 to 26 years old. The youths wore garrison caps and dark blue linen coveralls. According to a girl, they received glider training at the field. No Soviet or Rumanian military personnel were observed there.
3. Aircraft observed at the field included about five gliders which were towed by a motor winch and a three-engine commercial plane which was repeatedly observed landing at the field for a brief stop. *
4. [redacted] biplanes with Soviet emblems making individual flights. The planes seemed to take off and land about 4 or 5 km south of Ghiroda Veche. **

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* [redacted] Comment. According to a previous report, Giarmata airfield northeast of Timisoara is occupied by 300 to 400 Soviet ground personnel. Since the field is not provided with adequate quartering facilities for so many soldiers, the present report that Rumanian youths were given glider training is more credible.

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* [redacted] Comment. The Soviet aircraft observed are probably trainers which took off from the newly established Ghiroda airfield, south of Timisoara. [redacted]

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